



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, the National Down Syndrome Society (NDSS) created the national Buddy Walk program in 1995; and

WHEREAS, the National Down Syndrome Society Buddy Walk has grown from 17 walks in 1995 to over 220 in 2004; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Treasure Valley Down Syndrome Association is to improve the quality of life for people with Down Syndrome by promoting understanding and acceptance through support and education as well as participation in local and national events that raise awareness; and

WHEREAS, the Treasure Valley Down Syndrome Association strives to educate the community about the value and diversity of talents and abilities of those with Down Syndrome in our community; and

WHEREAS, through affiliation with NDSS, NDSC and other local groups, The Treasure Valley Down Syndrome Association stays current on local and national events, seminars and workshops; and

WHEREAS, the Treasure Valley Down Syndrome Association is committed to raising awareness of Down Syndrome in the local area; and

WHEREAS, the Treasure Valley Down Syndrome Association coordinates a Buddy Walk each year to promote awareness and celebrate our children, family and friends;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 8, 2005, to be

TREASURE VALLEY DOWN SYNDROME ASSOCIATION BUDDY WALK DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on third day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth.

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Devin Isurua in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DEVIN ISURUA
SECRETARY OF STATE